

IN THE CLAIMS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the status of the claims will be as is shown below. The present listing of claims replaces all previous versions and listings of claims in the present application.

1. (Currently Amended) A continual-image processing device for processing a plurality of discrete images obtained in a continual photographing operation, comprising:

a continual-image determination processor that determines whether a the plurality of discrete images ~~are~~ were obtained in a said continual photographing operation; and

an image processor that continually performs a common operation on said plurality of discrete images when it is determined ~~by said continual-image determination processor~~ that said plurality of discrete images ~~are~~ were obtained in said continual photographing operation.

2. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said image processor continually reproduces said plurality of discrete images as the common operation.

3. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said image processor continually reproduces said plurality of discrete images as the common operation at a same interval as that of said continual photographing operation.

4. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said image processor ~~continuously~~ continually deletes said plurality of discrete images as the common operation.

5. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said continual-image determination processor determines whether said plurality of discrete images ~~are~~ were obtained in said continual photographing operation[[,]] by reading image recording information recorded for each of said plurality of discrete images.

6. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 5, wherein said image recording information comprises a continual-image flag recorded in a header area corresponding to an image recording area in which ~~an~~ a discrete image is recorded.

7. (Original) A device according to claim 1, wherein said continual photographing operation is performed by an electronic still camera.

8. (Currently Amended) A continual-image processing device for processing a plurality of discrete images obtained in a continual photographing operation, comprising:

a continually recording processor that continually records a said plurality of discrete images at a predetermined interval and that enables the plurality of discrete images to be continually displayed as discrete images; and

an image processor that continually performs a common operation on said plurality of discrete images.